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Sir:

In fulfillment of the requirements of candor and good faith set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56,  
Applicant submits herewith the following Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with  
the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and 1.98.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three (3)  
months of an International Search Report dated January 2, 2003 for a related foreign

application, a copy of which is enclosed herein. The Supplemental Statement is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e).

**I. U.S. PATENTS**

<b><u>U.S. PATENT NO.</u></b>	<b><u>TITLE</u></b>	<b><u>ISSUE DATE</u></b>
5,834,005 to Usula	Bioartificial Devices and Cellular Matrices Therefor	November 10, 1998

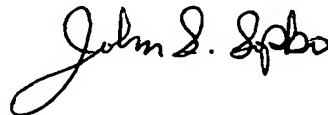
**II. FOREIGN PATENT PUBLICATIONS**

<b><u>Patent Office/Country</u></b>	<b><u>Document Number</u></b>	<b><u>Publication Date</u></b>
PCT	WO 98/17331	April 30, 1998
PCT	WO 98/36784	August 27, 1998
PCT	WO 00/10622	March 2, 2000
EPO	0 679 373 A2	November 2, 1995
EPO	0 716 834 A1	June 19, 1996

Copies of each of these references are attached herewith. All of the references listed above are also listed on Applicant's Substitute Form PTO-1449 which is attached to this Information Disclosure Statement for the convenience of the Examiner. As presently understood, the above-cited references may be relevant as indicated in the International Search Report.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments concerning the above, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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	WO 00/10622	03/02/00	PCT				
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